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Faculty Increases, Accents Variety

New additions to the teaching staff number 23 with the language department gaining the largest number, eight. The varied group teach subjects ranging from physics to French and come from places as far away as Corning, New York.

The teachers hold 34 degrees from 22 different colleges. The most popular school is Ohio State University which conferred five degrees, the teacher with the most degrees is Dr. Seth Hammond who holds five degrees including an M.A. and a Ph.D. from Harvard. Other well-represented schools include Kent State, the University of Chicago, the University of Pittsburgh, and Western Reserve. The only foreign schools listed are Colegio Irene Toland and the University of Habana which graduated Mr. Luis Fumero.

Teaching social studies are Miss Marilyn Bachman, Mr. Thomas Hardesty, Mrs. Margaret Jones, and Mrs. Rita Wachs.

Joining the language departments are Miss Lillian Politella, Miss Elizabeth Schneider, and Mrs. Catharine Majdiak qui parlent français. Mr. Luis Fumero quien habla español and Mr. James Bresnicki and Mrs. George Kneifel qui Latinam docent Miss Elizabeth Barclay and Miss Esther Frazier will teach the native tongue.

Mr. Henry Merkle will elucidate on the mysteries of living things, while Mr. Bryant Doyle explores the physical world. Dr. Seth Hammond and Mr. Richard Oberdorfer will explore the realm of numbers.

Mr. Donald Wile, Mrs. Norma Muscara, and Mrs. Kay Kirsch join our business education department. Mrs. Elizabeth Matthews teaches home economics and Mr. Robert Haas, industrial arts.

Miss Yvonne Ellwitz will teach physical education, and Mrs. Lucille Myers is the cafeteria director.

Football Team Opens Year At Party on Eve of Game

The Kick-off Party and the first football pep rally, complete with a new team and a new head coach, will be the scene of the official opening of Shaker's '59 football season.

The new head coach who will preside over the festivities is Nay Sanna, who was promoted from his backfield coaching job. The party will start at 8:30 p.m., Friday, September 18, in the football stadium where 18 hours later South will meet the Red Raiders in the season's first game. After the rally's usual formalities, the coaches will introduce both varsity and Jay Vee teams in full uniform.

Coaches Explain Formation

With the help of some of the players, the coaches will then explain some of the basic formations and plays that the team will use. An evaluation of the team's chances in the coming season may follow. Of course the new cheerleaders will also be on hand to teach a few new cheers and to review a few old ones.

After the opening ceremonies, a band will be available to provide music for the dance in the parking lot. The snack bar will be open.

Student Takes Refresher Course in Byron Pool



Dave Wenger keeps cool as he reads a book in the Byron pool. Other summertime activities are described in the canteen article below and in the theater apprentice article in the right-hand column.

Have TEEN-CAN Travel

By Stan Ornstein

Like the famous dark horse of politics, the Shaker Heights Recreation Association Federation Thing Monday Night Canteen trailed the field for the first few weeks, but in a brilliant burst of patronage came on to win.

When the starting gates flew open on June 15 only about 100 Shakerites were on hand at Shaker Heights Senior High School to enjoy big beat of the turntables and the delicacies of the snack bar. Others sampled the instant chlorine—just add water and swim.

With each succeeding week about thirty more people joined the festivities. The third week Phil Weiss and his combo made with the music. Soon after, Canteen felt the effects of the Cleveland beverage strike.

Those hardy souls returning for their fifth Canteen found it relocated at Byron Junior High, with the cool notes floating from the Knight Revelers, who became a permanent feature of the Monday whirl. The pianist's rendition of "Night Train" was literally a scream, a howling success. It became the fashion to pay one's 25¢ just for the privilege of standing and talking right outside the main entrance. The band moved out onto the Byron courtyard.

By the seventh week, Shakerites had at last awakened to the fact that Shraft Canteen was a sure winner, and a gay crowd of almost 400, many not from Shaker, turned out to root as Canteen shot toward the finish line.

On August 10 a huge assemblage shared the winner's spotlight as Canteen outdistanced all opponents, to finish the race.

Trophies are due Shraft prexy, Judy Forward, Publicity Director Matt Harris, Entertainment chairman Bill Linas, and chief aides, Linda Nocar, Cathy Cole, and Dick Johns.

The winner's purse will go to that ever worthy cause, the Class of '60 Senior Prom. Honorable mention goes to chaperones Bob Rice and Ed Zednick.

Know-Your-Club Week's Theme Attempts to Set Students Singing

Getting to know them—getting to know all about them. This motto indicates the purpose of Know-Your-Club Week, an annual event at Shaker.

Student Handbook Shows Yellow Pages in White

Looking for something? The Student Handbook may be the place to find it if the something concerns Shaker High. The 1959 handbook contains 90 pages of information ranging from a calendar of events to the words to the alma mater.

The edition recently distributed is the eleventh in the present series which started in 1949 under the title *The Red Raider*. In recent numbers the title has not been used. World War II ended an earlier series of handbooks, but the *Shakerite* published a school guide as part of its first edition in each of the war years.

New Issue Includes 100 Items

The present issue includes items on parking, clubs, awards, and more than 100 other topics. A directory of teachers' names assists the student in preparing schedule cards and in recalling the names he has forgotten. And a section on the point system explains the assignment and distribution of points for office holding.

A review of the old handbooks reveals the history of the school. In 1939, for example, Shakerites cheered the football team to the tune of the Notre Dame fight song. The club program included a girls' riding club, Boots and Saddle, a club which discussed current problems, Open Forum, and a club which studied the international auxiliary language, Esperanto.

Old Handbook Features Schedule

Ten years later the handbook listed the bell schedule which featured 56 minute periods. It listed two second and two fourth periods, but omitted the first and third periods. On the back cover the booklet enumerated ten "musts" for every student, the first point suggested, "Read this handbook."

Time Limit Condenses Activity Ticket Sale

Lasting only 75 minutes, the 1959 Activity Ticket Sale will enable students to pay for football tickets, *Shakerite*, class dues, assembly fund fee, student council fee, and boys' and girls' athletics with one purchase.

The 75 minute period will be divided into five 15-minute home room period segments from September 9-15. Each day student council representatives will collect the \$5.50 fee in their junior and senior home rooms while upperclassmen will collect the fee from the sophomores.

The money accumulated by this drive is distributed to the activities through the Student Fund. More than half of the money (from football tickets) is used to support the boys' athletic program which includes the nine varsity and four Jay Vee sports and the intramural

program. Ten cents per ticket is credited to the girls' athletic fund for purchases not included in its regular budget.

Slightly less than one-third of the total collection is credited to the *Shakerite* for printers' fees. A four page newspaper costs approximately \$200.

Class dues of 50 cents per student are distributed to the three classes. Each class's income is primarily used for its Senior Prom. The student council's 20 cents per ticket finances the student handbook and other council activities; the Assembly Fund uses its fee to obtain speakers and groups, such as the Ohio State Glee Club, for assemblies.

The Student Fund received and distributed over \$7500 from Activity Ticket sales last year.

The sale is sponsored by the student council. Business details are handled by the Business Manager of the Student Fund, Ricky Rivitz, and the student council adviser, Richard D. Klyver. Detailed instructions ranging from tally sheets to lists of suggestions have been distributed to the home room representatives who will conduct the drive. A series of morning announcements is intended to increase enthusiasm within the student body.

Apprentices Shine Behind Footlights

By Jill Lieder

The applause dies as the curtain goes down on a season filled with glee and glory for many Shakers. Summertime '59. While many of their classmates were vacationing, working, or learning, these drama enthusiasts were combining the three pastimes in their jobs at various theatres in and around Cleveland.

The Chagrin Valley Little Theatre apprentice list contained the names of quite a few Shakers, past and present, including Jean Herzog, Barry Gordon, Rowan Hollitz, John Fishel, and Jill Lieder. Visitors to the theatre, such as Lynn Selker, Joan Lipton, Tom Stone, and Russ Bishop suddenly found themselves working on sets as enthusiastically as the regular apprentices.

While students worked behind the scenes, the teachers got into the act. Dale Kittle and Kelly Danford appeared in the Chagrin presentation of *Home of the Brave*.

Dave Griffiths, Ginny Langman, Rolly Simon, and Jan Tunder, Marilyn Berger, and Joyce Klein made Cain Park the site of much of their summer activity.

Tony Holmes appeared in two plays at Musicarnival while Harvey Laidman directed lighting for the Kenley Players.

A Greeting From the Principal

Greetings! I am certain your vacation days have been good ones.

As we start another school year I hope each of us will do so with a determination to make it an outstanding one for himself and the entire school.

This is our largest year enrollment-wise; let's make it our best year in accomplishment and have fun doing it.

RUSSELL H. RUPP
Principal

A Request From the President

Welcome Sophomores. Welcome back Juniors and Seniors. I am looking forward to a challenging and productive year, and I hope you are, too.

As I said in my Honor Day speech, the success of the student council depends largely upon how prudently and tactfully we present proposals and suggestions to the administration. You have come up with some great ideas, I know. I am anxious to hear them.

STEVE IRONES
President,
Student Council

... And a Polite Suggestion

An interesting football team, an active student council, and a varied club program present an unbeatable combination for a happy school year.

Only by purchasing an Activity Ticket can the student body receive the full benefit of this combination, can the student body share the excitement of a thrill-packed football season, or enjoy better assemblies, or retain the complete intramural program, or support the Senior Prom, or read about all of these activities in the *Shakerite*.

Why should anyone be left out when he can gain his ticket to enjoyment by purchasing an Activity Ticket, today?

MONK.

A lot of spirit but hardly a deluge of established talent and experience greet Coach Nay Sanna in his premier as Shaker's football mentor. There are some good boys back this year—Matt Harris, Mark Fishman, Bill Stage, Dennis Reimer, and Mike Marino—to name a few—but beyond this aggregate—well, about all one can say is that they are big. An optimist would add, however, that size alone should not be discounted as it is a rarity on any Shaker team.

While still in an optimistic frame of mind, I might say that the Raider first line appears to be pretty strong this year, the only question being whether Sanna can come up with second line support. Playing both offense and defense for an entire game is a rugged assignment for any line. In the backfield, Dennis Reimer appears to be set for one of the halfback slots, but the other three positions are pretty much up in the air. Perhaps the big problem is to find someone to partially fill the shoes of all-Ohio quarterback, Vic Ippolito. Sophomores Bill McGeorge and Tom Humphrey and seniors Marty Dunn and Jim Teresi are all vying for the position—with the more experienced Teresi probably having the edge.

As far as any prophecy is concerned, I have only this to say. With a rather unsure passing attack, the Raiders will probably be forced to stick to the ground for their yardage. If Coach Sanna is able to find the backfield to push this type of offense it could be a very effective weapon.

Parma, Shaw, and Euclid look like the teams to beat this year in what Sanna calls "one of the best-balanced L.E.L. leagues in some years." If, however, the confidence and spirit displayed in the practice sessions prevails throughout the season, and if Sanna can turn some of his raw talent into a smooth-running team effort, then, who knows? A lot of "ifs" true, but this team has just the desire to pull off a successful season.

With six regulars returning Coach Jack Pickering's netters will probably hold their L.E.L. title. Summer tournament practice has kept the team in shape.

S.C. Explains Program Asks Student Support

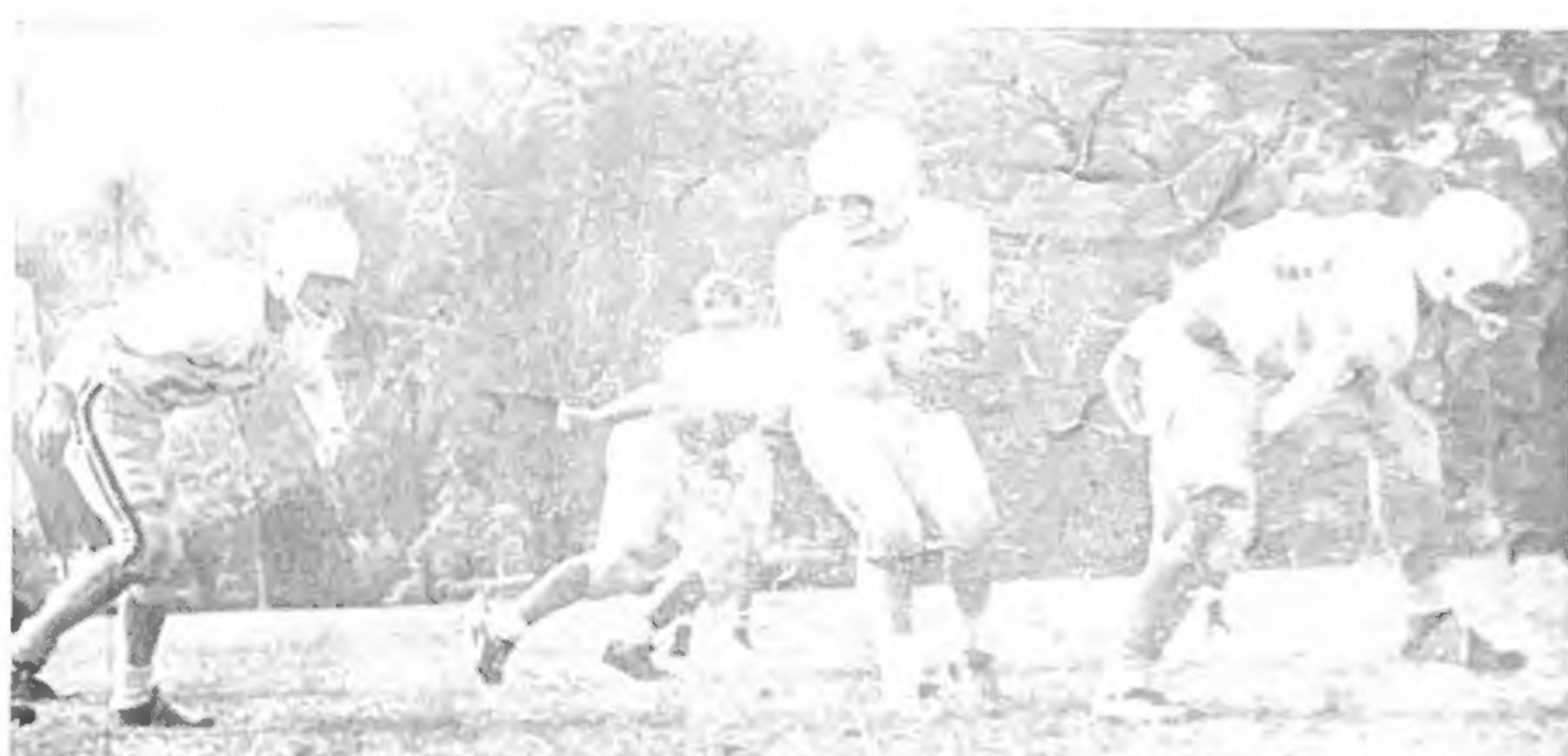
We at Shaker are proud of the fact that we have an active program of student government. By an active program we mean student participation in the organization and administration of the school, not student self-government.

In our total program of extracurricular activities, the student council is the most important representative body expressing student opinion. Each student should feel free to take part in the activities and projects of the student council, either directly by visiting it, or indirectly through his home room representative. For it is only when a student body is vitally interested in the problems and activities of the student council, that the student council can be effective.

The student council assists the administration in forming school policies and carrying out school projects. We at Shaker believe neither the student council, nor the faculty, nor the administration can run the school well alone. It is only by cooperation between these groups that the school program can run smoothly.

We hope that every student will take part in some phase of extracurricular activity and will take an active interest in student government. Because a student council can only be successful when the students are behind it, we are asking you to pitch in and help us make this a very successful school year.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE BOARD



Jim Teresi gets set to hand off to Jeff Korach as Sanna's Raiders sputter through repeated drills in preparation for game with South. The center is John Osmond while Tom Stevens is at halfback.

Varsity Plays Ball in NABF

The varsity baseball team was one school group which didn't break up last June. It held regular weekly meetings in the National Amateur Baseball Federation's Old Meadow team.

Participating were infielders Bill Schweller, first page, Roger Baden, second base, Stan Chernett and George Roth, short, and Dennis Reimer and Chuck Cianciolo, third. Ken Lapine covered left field, Mark Fishman was in center, and Paul Bloch guarded right. Jim Milligan did the catching and Roger Klein, Bowman Schneider, and George Roth pitched.

Two sophomores out with the team were Steve Abrams, outfield, and Tom Humphrey, working shortstop.

Facts and Fancy with Beth and Nancy

"Welcome dear sophomores," we determine say.
"Glad (?) you've come to Shaker to stay.
We hope your days will be filled with joys,
But please 'Hands Off' of the senior boys!"

We juniors are back for a second year,
And it's going to be a long one we fear.
We're just in between, we've learned the ropes,
And our boys' heads are filled with varsity hopes.

Seniors—your days are numbered at 189,
So cross off the days 'till Graduation Time.
A note to you widows—senior boys are a dream,
But the underclassmen are all on the beam!"

Summer Scenery

Canteen this summer was really great, just ask the kids from Heights!

Shakerites have become connoisseurs of coffee, for they could always be found at the Left Bank.

A great many Shakerites spent a good part of the Long Hot Summer in summer school, and recommend that air conditioning be installed before next year.

People who spend their summers away from Cleveland don't miss a thing!

If Honors English majors don't look too tan this summer, it's because they spent most of their time buried in their summer reading.

Red Raider Schedule, '59

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| Sept. 19 | South | Home | Oct. 16 | Heights | Away |
| Sept. 25 | Maple Hts. | Away | Oct. 24 | Parma | Home |
| Oct. 2 | Brush | Home | Oct. 29 | Shaw | Away |
| Oct. 9 | Lakewood | Away | Nov. 7 | Euclid | Home |
| | | | Nov. 13 | Garfield | Away |

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